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SUBJECT: ESTONIAN EMIGRE CLAIMING TO HAVE SEEN WALLENBERG

REF: DIRECTOR 665169 OF 21 DECEMBER 1985

ACTION REQUIRED: FYI.

1. TYNU ((MOELLERSON)), DPOB: 1 SEPTEMBER 1932 IN TALLIN, ESTONIA, INS NO: A28-920-346, WAS INTERVIEWED BY INS/ROME ON 7 APRIL IN CONNECTION WITH HIS APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES AS A POLITICAL REFUGEE. BECAUSE MOELLERSON ANNOUNCED TO THE ROME OFFICE OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE (IRC), THE VOLUNTARY AGENCY HANDLING HIS CASE, THAT HE HAD SEEN RAOUL ((WALLENBERG)) IN A MOSCOW PRISON, A [ ] OFFICER INTERVIEWED HIM SEPARATELY AFTER HIS INS INTERVIEW.

2. THE SUBSTANCE OF THE WALLENBERG STORY IS THIS: MOELLERSON'S FATHER SERVED IN THE ESTONIAN SS LEGION DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR. HE WAS ACCORDINGLY BROUGHT UP IN AN ANTI-SOVIET SPIRIT. THUS, FOUR MONTHS AFTER HE WAS CONSCRIPTED INTO THE RED ARMY IN 1951 HE DESERTED, PLANNING TO JOIN THE UKRAINIAN SEPARATIST PARTISANS STILL OPERATING IN THE CARPATHIANS AT THAT TIME. HE WAS CAUGHT, HOWEVER, AND SENT TO THE BUTYRKI PRISON IN MOSC. BY ACCIDENT, ONE DAY AS HE WAS BEING LED TO INTERROGATION, HE BUMPED INTO A FEL■?W PRISONER ?O WAS JUST BEING TAKEN OUT OF HIS CELL. BEFORE THEY WERE SEPARATED BY THEIR ESCORT GUARDS THE OTHER MAN SAID SOMETHING INCLUDING THE WORDS "RAOUL WALLENBERG" IN A LANGUAGE MOELLERSON BELIEVES WAS SWEDISH (WHICH HE DOES NOT KNOW). FROM THIS HE CONCLUDES THAT THE MAN WAS WALLENBERG. HE NEVER SAW HIM AGAIN. THE INCIDENT TOOK PLACE IN THE SUMMER OR FALL OF 1952.

3. MOELLERSON SAYS THAT HE HAS TOLD HIS WALLENBERG STORY TO MANY PEOPLE, E.G., OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN AND SWEDISH CONSULATES GENERAL IN LENINGRAD, A CANADIAN ATTORNEY, YELENA ((BONNER)), REFUGEE AND CONSULAR (SWEDISH AND GERMAN) OFFICIALS IN VIENNA AND ROME, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF RADIO STATIONS (PRESUMABLY RL).

4. AS NOTED, PARA 2 IS THE SUBSTANCE OF MOELLERSON'S WALLENBERG STORY. IN THE INTERVENING YEARS4 HOWEVER, HE HAS SOMEHOW BECOME FIXATED ON WALLENBERG, SAYING, FOR ?XAMPLE, THAT HE HAS BEEN TOLD THAT HIS WIFE IS WALLENBERG'S DAUGHTER, AND EVEN THAT WALLENBERG (OR HIS DOUBLE) WILL SOON SURFACE IN THE SOVIET UNION TO ANNOUNCE THAT HE WANTS TO STAY THERE. MIXED IN WITH THIS ARE ACCOUNTS OF MYSTERIOUS VISITS BY PROVOCATEURS, AND INDIGNANT REMARKS ABOUT THE UNCEREMONIOUS TREATMENT METED OUT TO MOELLERSON BY SWEDISH AND OTHER DIPLOMATS IN VIENNA.

5. AS PARA 4 SUGGESTS, IT IS THE OPINION OF THE [ ] OFFICER WHO INTERVIEWED HIM THAT MOELLERSON IS UNBALANCED. HE IS A FANTASIZER WHO MAKES ASSERTIONS AND CHARGES THAT CANNOT BE PINNED DOWN TO ANY FACTUAL BASES. AND HE IS CLEARLY SUFFERING FROM A PERSECUTION COMPLEX -- THE PERSECUTORS BEING VARIOUSLY THE KGB, WESTERN DIPLOMATS, AND THE IRC, ALL OF WHOM ARE OUT TO DO HIM IN OR AT THE VERY LEAST, TO DEPRIVE HIM OF HIS DUE. IN SHORT, THE MAN IS A KOOK AND YOU SHOULD BE WARNED ACCORDINGLY, IN CASE HIS NAME COMES UP ON THE SCREEN AGAIN, AS IT DOUBTLESS WILL.

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